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Honorable Ella T. Grasso Governor of the State of Connecticut State Capitol Hartford, Connecticut 06115

Dear Governor Grasso:

I am forwarding to you a copy of the Lake Watrous Dam Phase I Inspection Report, which was prepared under the National Program for Inspection of Non-Federal Dams. This report is presented for your use and is based upon a visual inspection, a review of the past performance and a brief hydrological study of the dam. A brief assessment is included at the beginning of the report. I have approved the report and support the findings and recommendations described in Section 7 and ask that you keep me informed of the actions taken to implement them. This follow-up action is a vitally important part of this program.

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Department of Environmental Protection, the cooperating agency for the State of Connecticut. In addition, a copy of the report has also been furnished the owner, The New Haven, Water Company, Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut 06506, ATTN: Mr. Jack Reynolds, Superintendent, Source of Supply.

Copies of this report will be made available to the public, upon request, by this office under the Freedom of Information Act. In the case of this report the release date will be thirty days from the date of this letter.

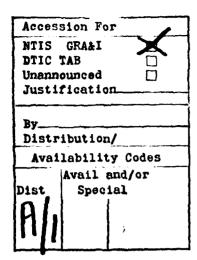
I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the Department of Environmental Protection for your cooperation in carrying out this program.

Sincerely yours,

Incl As stated

Colonel, Corps of Engineers

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Stream:	WEST RIVER
Owner:	NEW HAVEN WATER CO.
Date of Inspection:	JUNE 1, 1978
Inspection Team:	MIKE HORTON
	HECTOR MORENO
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The 1240 feet long dam is a concrete gravity section the majority of its length with upstream and At the right end of the dam downstream embankments. adjacent to the spillway, the concrete section narrows to effectively become a 70 foot long concrete corewall for the surrounding earthen embankments. The top of the dam is at elevation 228.3, approximately 5 feet above the spillway crest at elevation 223.3, and approximately 51 feet above the old streambed at estimated elevation 174. Downstream embankments have a maximum slope inclination of 3 horizontal to 1 vertical. The spillway is a 70 foot wide concrete ogee weir flowing to the spillway channel cut into rock at the right end of the dam. Two 30 inch cast iron pipes pass through the dam; one at elevation 183 is a supply main, and the other at elevation 178, is the low level outlet.

Based on the visual inspection at the site and past performance history, the dam appears to be in good condition. No evidence of structural instability was observed in either the concrete gravity section or the embankment - concrete corewall section of the dam. The downstream earthen embankment was observed to be in good condition, with only a minor surface slump in one area. There are some areas which do, however, require attention.

Based upon our hydraulic computation, the spillway capacity is 2800 cubic feet per second (cfs), which is equivalent to approximately 25 percent of the Test Flood. size (Intermediate) and the classification (High), in accordance with the Corps quidelines, the Test Flood will be equal to the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Peak inflow to the reservoir is calculated to be 12,600 cfs; peak outflow (Test Flood) is 11,400 cfs with the dam overtopped 1.7 feet. The peak failure outflow from the dam breaching would be 193,000 cfs. A breach of the dam would develop a wave which would be 15 feet high downstream at Lake Dawson Dam. Lake Dawson was operating with a freeboard of 5.5 feet, the resulting 90,000 cfs outflow from Lake Dawson with the Lake Dawson Dam overtopped approximately 9 feet, would cause severe loss of life and property damage in the residential area of Woodbridge approximately 2 miles downstream. Should Lake Dawson Dam breach also under the inflow from Lake Watrous, which is quite possible, damage downstream would be a great deal more extensive.

It is recommended that further hydraulic/hydrologic studies be undertaken to determine the most feasible methods for increasing spillway capacity to an acceptable An operation and maintenance plan should be instituted, as described in Section 7.

The above recommendations should be instituted within one year of the owner's receipt of this report.

Peter M. Heynen,

Project Manager

Cahn Engineers, Inc.

William O. Doll, Chief Engineer Cahn Engineers, Inc.

This Phase I Inspection Report on Lake Watrous Dam has been reviewed by the undersigned Review Board members. In our opinion, the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations are consistent with the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, and with good engineering judgment and practice, and is hereby submitted for approval.

CHARLES G. TIERSCH, Chairman

Chief, Foundation and Materials Branch **Engineering Division** 

FRED J. RAVENS, Jr., Member Chief, Design Branch

**Engineering** Division

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APPROVAL RECOMMENDED:

JOE B. FRYAR

Chief, Engineering Division

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#### PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspection. Detailed investigation, and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I Investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionarly in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the Spillway Test Flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions there of. Because of the magnitude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass the test flood should not be interpreted as neccessarily posing a highly inadequate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aid in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

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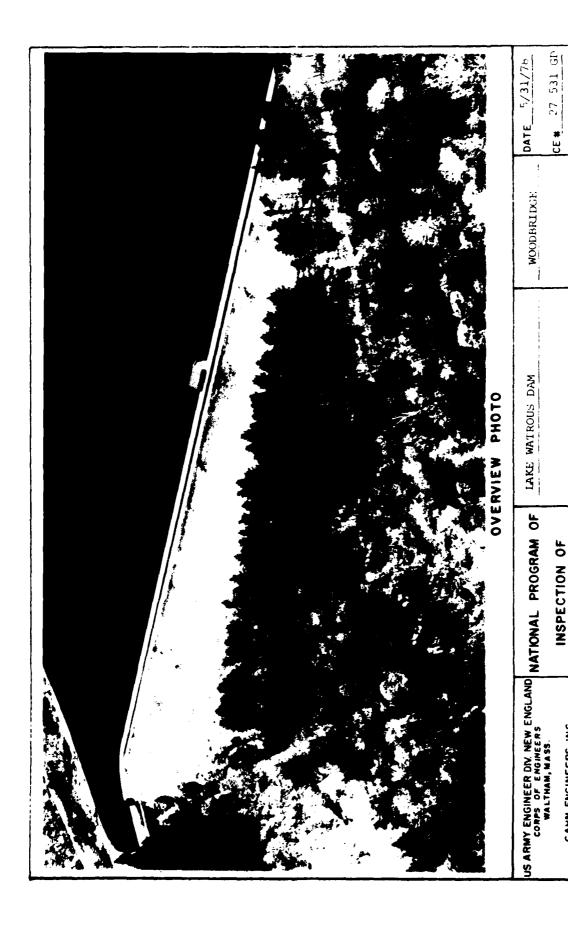
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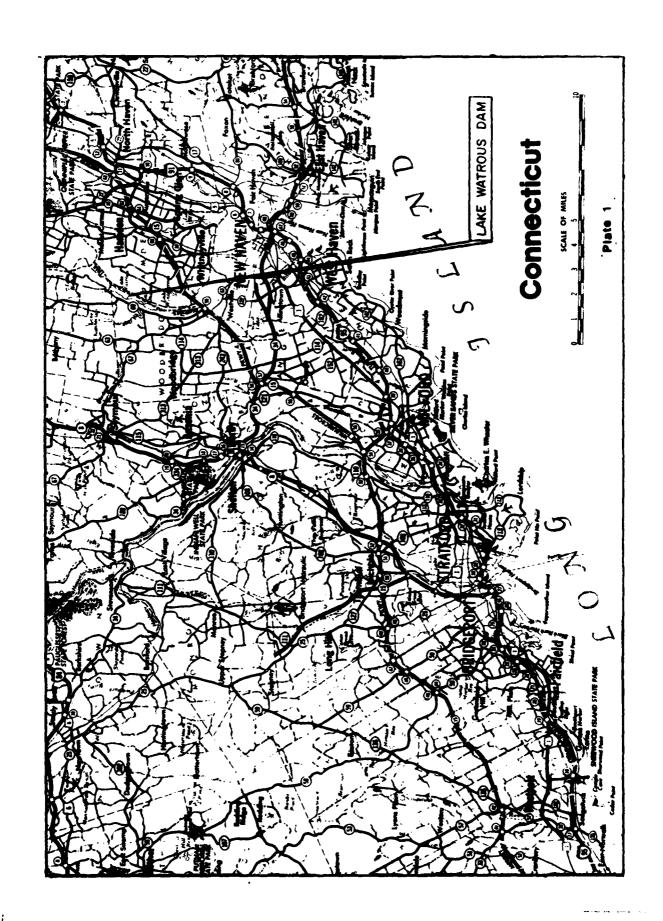
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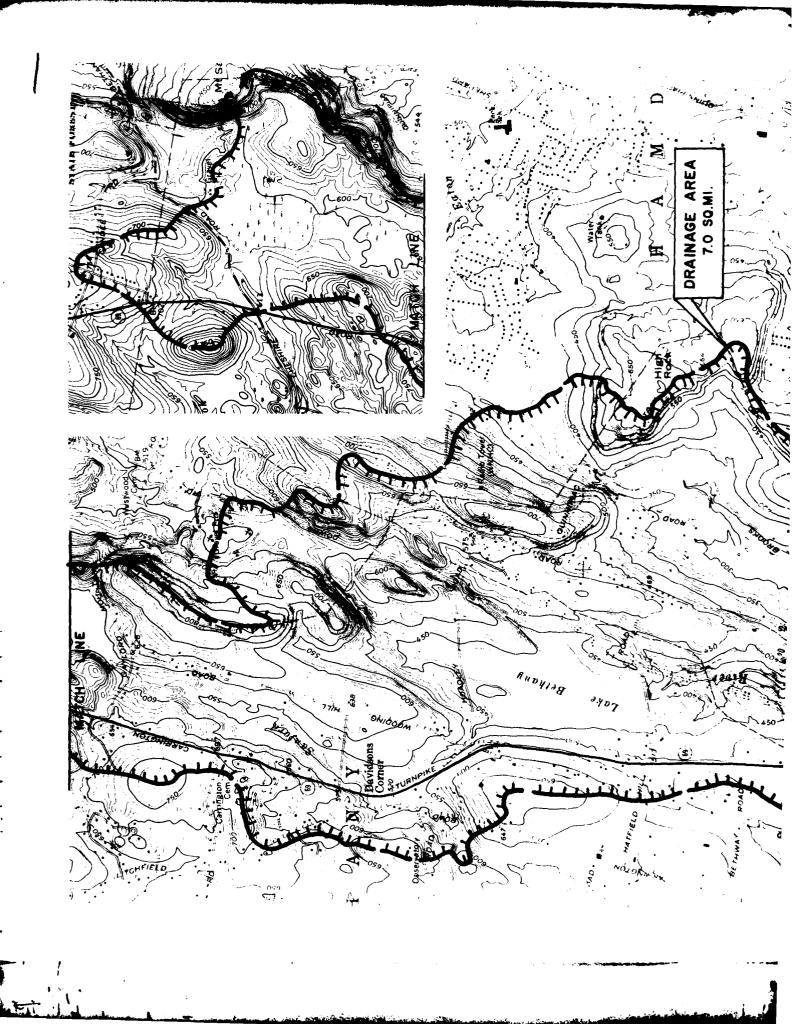
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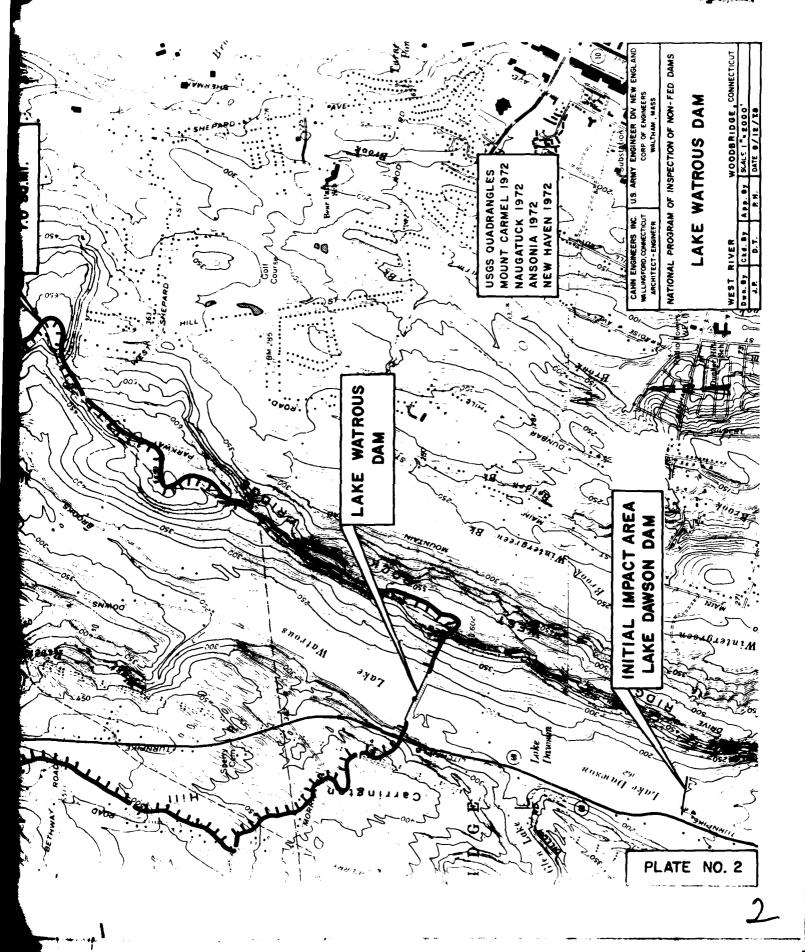
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#### PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

#### LAKE WATROUS DAM

#### SECTION I

#### PROJECT INFORMATION

# 1.1 General

- a. Authority Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a National Program of Dam Inspection throughout the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. Cahn Engineers, Inc. has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the southwestern portion of the State of Connecticut. Authorization and notice to proceed were issued to Cahn Engineers, Inc. under a letter of April 26, 1978 from Ralph T. Garver, Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW33-78-C-0310 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.
- b. <u>Purpose of Inspection Program</u> The purposes of the program are to:
  - Perform technical inspection and evaluation of non-federal dams to identify conditions requiring correction in a timely manner by nonfederal interests.
  - (2) Encourage and prepare the States to quickly initiate effective dam inspection programs for non-federal dams.
  - (3) To update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.
- c. Scope of Inspection Program The scope of this Phase I inspection report includes:
  - (1) Gathering, reviewing and presenting available data as can be obtained from the owners, previous owners, the state and other associated parties.
  - (2) A field inspection of the facility detailing the visual condition of the dam, embankments and appurtenant structures.

- (3) Computation concerning the hydraulics and hydrology of the facility and its relationship to the calculated flood through the existing spillway.
- (4) An assessment of the condition of the facility and corrective measures required.

It should be noted that this report does not pass judgement on the safety or stability of the dam other than on a visual basis. The inspection is to identify those features of the dam which need corrective action and/or further study.

# 1.2 Description of Project

a. Description of Dam and Appurtenances - The dam is a concrete gravity section approximately 1240 feet long with earthen embankments upstream and downstream. At the west end of the dam adjacent to the spillway, the concrete section narrows down and effectively becomes a concrete corewall for the earthen embankment surrounding it for a length of 70 feet. Maximum embankment slopes downstream are 3 horizontal to 1 vertical. The top of the concrete coping is at elevation 228, approximately 5 feet above the spillway crest at elevation 223, and approximately 51 feet above the streambed at elevation 177.

The spillway is a 70 foot wide concrete ogee section flowing to a spillway channel cut into rock at the right end of the dam. There are two 30 inch cast iron pipes through the dam. One, the low level outlet, is at elevation 178, and the other, the supply main is at elevation 183.

- b. Location The dam is located on West River, in a rural area of the Town of Woodbridge, County of New Haven, State of Connecticut. The dam is shown on the Mount Carmel U.S.G.S. Quadrangle Map having coordinates of longitude W 72 58' 14" and latitude N 41 23' 05".
- c. <u>Size Classification</u> INTERMEDIATE The dam provides storage of 2780 acre feet with the water level at the top of the dam, elevation 228, which is 51 feet above the elevation of the old streambed.
- d. <u>Hazard Classification</u> HIGH (Category I) The dam is located upstream of Lake Dawson Dam, the Wilbur Cross Parkway, and 3 miles upstream of a residential area of Woodbridge.

- e. Ownership New Haven Water Company
  Sargent Drive
  New Haven, Connecticut 06506
  Mr. Joseph Jiskra
  Mr. Jack Reynolds
  Phone (203) 624-6711
- f. Purpose of Dam Public Water Supply
- g. Design and Construction History The dam was constructed for the New Haven Water Company by C.W. Blakeslee and Sons, Inc. during the period of 1912 to 1915, as engineered by Albert B. Hill, and to our knowledge, has not been modified in the interim period.
- h. Normal Operational Procedures The 30 inch supply main is open at all times and the 30 inch low level outlet is open once a year in the spring.

# 1.3 Pertinent Data

- a. <u>Drainage Area</u> 7.0 square miles. Rolling, wooded terrain.
- b. <u>Discharge at Dam Site</u> Maximum flood of record Oct. 16, 1955. Water rose from 2.5 feet below spillway crest to 1.9 feet above spillway crest. Spillway capacity at test flood elevation 2800 cubic feet per second.

c.	<pre>Elevations - (Ft. above MSL, U.S.G.S.</pre>	Datum)
	Top Dam:	228.3
	Spillway Crest:	223.3
	Streambed @ Center Line of Dam:	177 <u>+</u>
	High Level Intake:	183
	Low Level Intake:	179
	Outlet Pipe:	178
đ.	Reservoir - Length of Normal Pool:	4000'
	Length of Test Flood Pool:	4000'+
e.	Storage - At Elevation 223.3:	2230 acre ft.
	At Elevation 228.3: (top of dam)	2800 acre ft.

f. Reservoir Surface - At Elevation 223.3: 109 acres
At Elevation 228.3: 109+ acres
(top of dam)

g. Dam - Type:

Concrete gravity section with upstream & downstream earthen embankments.

Length: Dam: 1240 ft. Corewall: 70 ft.

Height: 51 ft.

Top Width:

10' Minimum-Dam
4' Maximum-Corewall

4 Maximum-Corewall

Sideslope: 4H to 1V upstream
3H to 1V downstream
Cutoff: Founded on rock.

h. Diversion and Regulatory Tunnel - Not Applicable

. Spillway - Type: Rounded ogee concrete

weir

Length of Weir: 70 ft.
Crest Elevation: 223.3

Upstream Channel: 7H to 1V

Downstream Channel: 30' feet wide

typical, natural rock

formation.

j. Regulatory Outlets - High Level Intake: Size 30 inch diameter cast iron. Manually operated. At elevation 183. Used as supply main. Open at all times.

Low Level Intake: Size 30 inch diameter cast iron. Manually operated once a year in spring. At elevation 178. Operational.

#### SECTION 2: ENGINEERING DATA

# 2.1 Design

- a. Available Data The available data consists of drawings, records, correspondence and calculations by the State of Connecticut Water Resources Commission, the New Haven Water Company, Joseph W. Cone, Malcolm Pirnie Engineers, and others. The majority of information available pertains to the hydraulic/hydrologic nature of the facility and is included in the Appendix Section B.
- b. Design Features The maps and drawings indicate the design features stated previously herein.
- c. <u>Design Data</u> There were no engineering values, assumptions, test results, or calculations available for the dam construction.

# 2.2 Construction

- a. Available Data "As-Built" drawings by Albert B. Hill were available and are included in the Appendix Section B. No other construction estimates or reports were available.
- b. <u>Construction Considerations</u> No information was available.

# 2.3 Operation

a. A representative of the New Haven Water Company stated that the supply main remains open at all times and the low level line is usually opened only once a year in the spring.

#### 2.4 Evaluation

- a. Availability Existing data was provided by the State of Connecticut and the New Haven Water Company. The owner made operations available for visual inspection.
- b. Adequacy The existing data was inadequate to perform a detailed assessment, therefore, the final assessment of the investigation must be based primarily on visual inspection, performance history, and hydraulic/hydrologic assumptions.
- c. <u>Validity</u> A comparison of record data and results of the visual investigations reveals no observable significant discrepencies in the record data.

#### SECTION 3: VISUAL INSPECTION

# 3.1 Findings

- a. General The dam is in good condition and requires only some minor maintenance.
- Dam The dam consists of a concrete gravity wall with an earth embankment downstream of the concrete wall. The earth embankment is in good condition showing no indication of deformations, sloughing or erosion with the exception of one location where minor sloughing was noted. No seeps were observed through the embankment slope, at the toe or downstream of the dam. The downstream slope of the embankment is covered with well-maintained grass. indicate a stone drain placed against drawings downstream face of the dam at the expansion joints connected to an horizontal drain under the downstream embankment. There was no visual evidence of an outlet for the horizontal The upper end of the drain against the downstream face of the concrete wall does not reach the surface of the downstream embankment crest according to the drawings, and thus the presence of the drain could not be visually Minor seepage was observed at horizontal construction joints and expansion joints at locations in the downstream face of the dam.
- c. Appurtenant Structures The low level outlet structure has concrete walls which are in good condition. At the time of our inspection, a tree had fallen over the outlet structure.

#### 3.2 Evaluation

The visual inspection was sufficient to determine that the condition of the dam and its appurtenant structures appears good with no visual evidence of any stability problem. Seepage observed at expansion joints and horizontal construction joints appeared to be minor resulting only in spalling of the concrete at the joints at the time of our inspection. It was observed that the metal railings, bridge, and protective guard railings are pitted and in need of paint.

## SECTION 4: OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

# 4.1 Regulating Procedure

The only regulating procedures employed consist of leaving the supply main open at all times to maintain the downstream water supply, and opening the low level outlet once a year, usually in the spring as a maintenance check.

# 4.2 Maintenance of Dam

The downstream slope of the earth embankment is covered with a well maintained grass cover. The metal railings, bridge and protective guard rails are pitted and in need of paint.

# 4.3 Maintenance and Operating Facilities

Maintenance of the facility is on an as needed basis as observed during visits to the dam by representatives of the owner. No formal procedures are known to exist.

# 4.4 Description of any Warning System In Effect

No formal warning system is in effect. Emergencies are reported to the New Haven Water Company office.

## 4.5 Evaluation

A program of formal operation and maintenance procedures, including thorough, complete documentation of all procedures, should be instituted. A formal warning system should be developed to warn the downstream population in case of emergency.

# SECTION 5: HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC

# 5.1 Evaluation of Features

- a. Design Data No computations could be found for the dam construction.
- b. Experience Data During the August and October 1955 floods, the maximum water over the spillway was on October 16, 1955, when the water level rose from 2.5 feet below the spillway to 1.9 feet above the spillway.
- c. <u>Visual Observations</u> On the date of our inspection, the spillway was clear and unobstructed. The spillway is wide and appears that it would not be blocked unless debris was retained by the bridge spanning the spillway.
- d. Overtopping Potential The test flood for this high hazard intermediate size dam is equivalent to the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) of 11,400 cubic feet per second (cfs).

Based upon our hydraulic computations, the spillway capacity is 2800 cfs (Appendix D-9). Based upon "Preliminary Guidance for Estimating Probable Discharges" dated March 1978, peak inflow to the reservoir is 12,600 cfs (Appendix D-8); peak outflow (Test Flood) is 11,400 cfs with the dam overtopped 1.7 feet (Appendix D-12).

e. Spillway Adequacy - The spillway will pass 25% of the Test Flood at the top of dam, elevation 228.

#### SECTION 6: STRUCTURAL STABILITY

# 6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability

- a. <u>Visual Observations</u> Visual observations do not indicate any apparent stability problem. The masonry dam shows no signs of instability and the earth embankment adjacent to the dam is undisturbed. Inspection of the concrete corewall at the right end of the dam does not indicate any erosion or deterioration.
- b. Design and Construction Data The design and construction reflected in the "As-Built" drawings indicate that the concrete wall foundation is at least 10 ft and as much as 50 ft into either phyllite or sandstone bedrock. The stability of the concrete wall and the downstream earth embankment cannot be formally evaluated with the available information. Such an evaluation depends, for example, on the character of the natural soil and bedrock in which the concrete wall is embedded and the backfilling procedure used against the downstream face of the concrete wall. The available data does not indicate that a seepage or stability analysis has ever been made. Therefore, the determination of dam stability must be based solely on visual inspections and the past performance record of the dam.
- c. Operating Records The dam was built in 1914, and to our knowledge, there have been no indications of instability since construction.
- d. <u>Post Construction Changes</u> There are no post-construction changes indicated in the available records.
- e. <u>Seismic Stability</u> This dam is in Seismic Zone 1 and hence does not have to be evaluated for seismic stability, according to the Recommended Guidelines.

SECTION: 7 ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS, & REMEDIAL MEASURES

## 7.1 Dam Assessment

a. Condition - Based upon the visual inspection at the site and past performance, the dam is judged to be in good condition. No evidence of structural instability was observed in the concrete gravity section, the embankment corewall at the right end of the dam, or in the embankment itself. The embankment is generally in good condition with only one minor area of sloughing observed. There are some areas requiring attention, such as the amount of spillway capacity presently available, the lack of a formal warning system, and the possibility of spillway blockage due to debris at times of high water levels.

Based upon our hydraulics computations, the spillway capacity is 2800 cubic feet per second (cfs), which is equivalent to approximately 25 percent of the Test Flood. Based upon "Preliminary Guidance for Estimating Maximum Probable Discharges" dated March 1978, peak inflow to the reservoir is 12,600 cfs; peak outflow (Test Flood) is 11,400 cfs with the dam overtopped 1.7 feet.

Utilizing the April 1978 "Rule of Thumb Guidance for Estimating Downstream Dam Failure Hydrographs", the peak failure outflow from the dam would be 193,000 cfs. The average stage downstream at Lake Dawson would be 25 feet. Lake Dawson Dam would be overtopped by approximately 15 feet and would most likely breach. Even should Lake Dawson Dam not breach, the 15 foot overtopping would cause severe loss of life and damage to property downstream in residential Woodbridge.

- b. Adequacy of Information A review of the "As-Built" drawings of the structure indicated that the drawings, verified and supplemented as required (see Section 6.1.b), could be used for a detailed structural analysis of the dam should it become necessary. This evaluation of the dam has been based only on the visual inspection and the "As-Built" drawings.
- c. <u>Urgency</u> The actions presented in Sections 7.2 and 7.3 should be implemented within the time frames indicated in each section.

d. Need for Additional Information - There is a need for additional information as noted in Section 7.2.

# 7.2 Recommendations

The following recommendation should be instituted within one year of the owner's receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.

1. Based upon the rough computation in Appendix D, the dam spillway capacity will be exceeded by the test flood. More sophisticated flood routing should be undertaken by hydrologists/hydraulics engineers to refine the test flood figures. A study should be undertaken and recommendations made to increase the spillway capacity to an acceptable level based upon the refined test flood figures.

## 7.3 Remedial Measures

- a. Alternatives This study has identified no practical alternatives to the above recommendations.
- b. Operation and Maintenance Procedures The following measures should be undertaken within one year of the owner's receipt of this report, and continued on a regular basis where applicable.
  - 1. Expansion joints, and any horizontal construction joints which are presently leaking, should be cleaned out, spalled concrete repaired, and the joints caulked. At present, seepage at horizontal construction joints appears to be minor, but if not repaired, concrete deterioration will progress and seepage will increase.
  - 2. Fallen trees and any other debris should be removed from the low level outlet structure. Any trees in the area which might possibly block the outlet structure in the future should also be removed.
  - 3. Areas of minor sloughing on the downstream slope face should be observed periodically to ascertain that no further sloughing is occurring. Should the problem become worse, areas of the slope subject to the sloughing should be repaired with angular stone to increase slope stability.

- 4. Metal railings, protective guard rails, and the bridge structure spanning the spillway are pitted and should be painted.
- 5. During the course of this study, it was brought to our attention that the New Haven Water Company instituted a yearly program for inspection of all their dams, including Lake Watrous Dam, by a consultant competent in the field of dam inspection. This program, in effect for two years, is commendable and should be continued in the future.
- 6. A formal program of operation and maintenance procedures should be instituted, and fully documented to provide accurate records for future reference.
- 7. Round-the-clock surveillance should be provided by the owner during periods of unusually heavy precipitation. The owner should develop a formal warning system with local officials for alerting downstream residents in case of emergency.
- 8. As the bottom of the bridge spanning the spillway is at the same elevation as the top of the dam, consideration should be given to raising the bridge and/or providing a log boom to prevent the blockage of the spillway due to floating debris at times of high water levels.

APPENDIX

SECTION A: VISUAL OBSERVATIONS

# VISUAL INSPECTION CHECK LIST PARTY ORGANIZATION

PROJECT Lake Watrous		DATE: June	1, 1978	3
		TIME:		_
		WEATHER:	Clear, S	unny
		W.S. ELEV	220 U	.s. 211 DN.s
PARTY:	INITIALS:		DISCIPI	LINE:
1. Mike Horton	МН		Structur	al
2. Hector Moreno	НМ		Hydrauli	ic
3. Gonzalo Castro	GC		Geotechr	nical
4Dean Thomasson	DT		Party Ch	nief
5				
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PROJECT FEATURE		INSPECTED	ву	REMARKS
1. Concrete and Earth Dam Emba		GC	<del></del>	
Spillway-Approach, Channel, 2. <u>Discharge Channel</u>		GC/MH		l
Outlet Works-Inlet Channel	and	GC/ Tall		
3. Inlet Structure Outlet Works-Outlet Channel		GC		
Outlet Works-Outlet Channel	and	/***		
4 • Outler Structure	<del></del>	GC/MH		
		МН		
Outlet Works-Control Tower,				
6. Operating House, Gate Shaft	S	MH		
7. Reservoir	<del></del>	DT		
8. Operation and Maintenance		DT		
9. Safety and Performance Inst	rumentation	DT		
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PROJECT FEATURE Concrete and Earth Dam Embankment

AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION
Concrete Structure		
Crest Elevation		
Current Pool Elevation		
Maximum Impoundment to Date		
General Condition of Concrete Surfaces		
Condition of Joints	мн	Vertical joints at monoliths-spalling,
Spalling		<pre>some seepage. Horizontal construction joints-spalling staining, efflorsence.</pre>
Visible Reinforcing		staining, efficisence.
Rusting or Staining of Concrete	мн	Yes.
Any Seepage of Efflorescence	мн	Yes, some.
Joint Alignment	мн	Go∞d.
Cracking		
Rusting or Corrosion of Steel	мн	None observed.
Erosion or Cavitation	мн	None observed.
Alignment of Monoliths	мн	Good.
Numbering of Monoliths		
Differential Settlement	GC	None observed.
Condition of Structure Foundation		
Structure Additions		
Differential Settlement		

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PROJECT FEATURE Concrete and Earth Dam Embankment

AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION
Earth Fill Surface Cracks	GC	(Earth fill downstream of concrete structure as per drawings) None observed.
Lateral Movement	GC	None observed.
Vertical Alignment	GC	No misalignment apparent.
Horizontal Alignment	GC	No misalignment apparent.
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	GC	G∞d.
Indications of Movement of Struc- tural Items on Slopes	GC	None observed.
Trespassing on Slopes	GC	None apparent.
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	GC	Minor sloughing observed at one location.
Rock Slope Protection-Riprap Failures		No riprap, upstream face is concrete.
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes	GC	None observed.
Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage	GC	None observed.
Piping or Boils	GC	None observed.
Foundation Drainage Features	GC	None according to drawings.
Toe Drains	GC	Chimmey drain behind construction joints and horizontal drain at stream
Instrumentation System		bed. Outlet could not be located.
Condition at Joint in Concrete Section		

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PROJECT FEATURE Spillway-Approach, Channel, Weir, Discharge Channel

	AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION	
a.	Approach Channel	GC	Not observed, reservoir full	
	General Condition			
	Loose Rock Overhanging Channel			
	Trees Overhanging Channel			1
	Floor of Approach Channel			
b.	Weir and Training or Sidewalls			
	General Condition of Concrete	мн	Very good.	-
	Rust or Staining	мн	None.	
	Spalling	мн	None.	
	Any Visible Reinforcing	мн	None	
	Any Seepage or Efflorescence	мн	None.	
	Drain Holes			
c.	Discharge Channel			
	General Condition	GC/	Good.	
	Loose Rock Overhanging Channel	GC MH	None of any significance observed.	
	Trees Overhanging Channel	GC	None observed.	
	Floor of Channel	GC	Bedrock covered with loose boulders	
	Other Obstructions	GC	within a few hundred feet of spillway, gravelly bottom further, D.S. None observed.	
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PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Works-Inlet Channel & Inlet Structure

	AREA EVALUATED	ву	CONDITION
a.	Approach Channel	GC	Not observed, reservoir full.
	Slope Conditions		
	Bottom Conditions		
	Rock Slides or Falls		
	Log Boom		
	Debris		
	Condition of Concrete Lining		
	Drains or Weep Holes		
b.	Intake Structure		
	Condition of Concrete		
	Stop Logs and Slots		
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PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Works-Outlet Structure and Outlet Channel \*

AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION
General Condition of Concrete	мн	Good.
Rust or Staining		
Spalling		
Erosion or Cavitation		
Visible Reinforcing	мн	None.
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	мн	None.
Condition at Joints		
Drain Holes	GC	None observed.
Channel	GC	Stone walls in good condition.
Loose Rock or Trees Overhanging Channel	GC	Loose trees in discharge channel at outlet and at intersection with spill-
Condition of Discharge Channel	GC	way channel. Good.
*Only blowoff outlet discharges into outlet channel and West River.		

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PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Works-Control Tower, Operating House, Gate Shafts

AREA EVALUATED	вч	CONDITION
a. Concrete and Structural		
General Condition	мн	Good.
Condition of Joints	мн	Good.
Spalling	мн	None.
Visible Reinforcing	мн	None.
Rusting or Staining of Concre	te MH	None.
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	мн	None.
Joint Alignment		
Unusual Seepage or Leaks in Gate Chamber		
Cracks	мн	None.
Rusting or Corrosion of Steel	мн	None.
b. Mechanical and Electrical		
Air Vents		
Float Wells		
Crane Hoist		
Elevator	- 1	
Hydraulic System		
Service Gates		
Emergency Gates		
Lighting Protection System		
Emergency Power System		
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PROJECT FEATURE Reservior

AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION
Shoreline	DT	A road follows the shoreline around the reservoir.
Sedimentation	DT	No problem observed.
Potential Upstream Hazard Areas	DT	None.
Watershed Alteration-Runoff Poten- tial	DT	None.

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PROJECT FEATURE

Operations and Maintenance

	AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION
•	Reservoir Regulation Plan		
	Normal Conditions	DT	Supply main open constantly; Blowoff
	Emergency Plans	DT	open once a year in the spring. No other methods to release water.
	Warning System	DT	Call New Haven Water Company Office
٠.	Maintenance (Type) (Regularity)		
	Dam	TG	As needed.
	Spillway	DT	As needed.
	Outlet Works	DT	As needed.
		] ]	

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PROJECT FEATURE Safety and Performance Instrumentation

AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITION
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deadwater and Tailwater Gages	DT	Headwater gage at spillway.
Horizontal and Vertical Alignment Instrumentation (Concrete Structures)	DT	None.
dorizontal and Vertical Movement, Consolidation, and Pore-Water Pressure Instrumentation (Embankment Structures)	TO	None.
Uplift Instrumentation	DT	None.
Orainage System Instrumentation	DT	None.
Seismic Instrumentation	TG	None.

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SECTION B: EXISTING DATA

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# SPECIAL NOTE

### SECTION B

### AVAILABILITY OF DATA

The correspondence listed in the summary of Contents and the plans listed in the Table of Contents, Appendix Section B, are included in the master copy of this report, which is on file at the office of the Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division, in Waltham, Massachusetts.

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FROM	Albert B. Hill <sup>2</sup>	New Haven Water Company <sup>2</sup>
읽	New Haven Water Company	Files
DATE	Original Date March 1,1911 Latest Entry 1969	Aug. 1974

lobtained from State of Connecticut Water Resources Commission

Obtained from New Haven Water Company

<sup>3</sup>Hydraulic/Hydrologic Data and Spillway Sections contained in Joseph W. Cone's report, which are on file and available at the New Haven Water Co. office were not included due to poor reproduction quality.

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REPORT

CONCERNING DAMS

Owned by

NEW HAVEN WATER CO.

BETHANY

WATROUS

CHAMBERLAIN

GLEN

DAWSON

on the

WEST & SARGENT RIVERS

J. W. Cone P.E. June 1965

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# Part II

NOTE: Maps, graphs, etc., are in separate folder.

TELEPHONE
TOWNSEND 9-2152

June 26, 1965

Mr. William P. Sander Water Resources Commission State Office Building Hartford 15, Conn.

Re: Dams #35 - 1 to 5 New Haven Water Co.

Dear Mr. Sander:

First, I apologize for not completing this assignment more promptly; reasons being that a low quality virus for over a month left me with no pep mentally or physically, and delays in obtaining certain plans and information.

The assignment was- we would like to know the present condition of these dams - Bethany - Watrous - Dawson on West River and Chamberlain - Glen on Sargent River, a tributory to West River above Dawson Dam.

In my opinion, the "condition" of these dams is good as regards masonry of the three masonry gravity dams and the upkeep of two earth embankment dams.

But as regard to whether or not the dams are safe,

particularly as regard spillway capacity, my opinion is

as follows:

Bethany Spillway is inadequate. However a thin sheet over a length of 990° will do comparatively little damage except to highway. The gravity section is safe.

- 35-2 <u>Watrous</u> Generally same remarks as for Bethany.
- 35-3 <u>Chamberlain</u> Spillway is adequate in every respect as is the dam. It is reassuring to find a spillway that will carry 1525 cfs per sq. mi. on 4.1 sq. mi. Note Items #26 & 28 on Data Sheet.
- 35-4 Glen Spillway is nowhere near adequate. In fact,
  Oct. \*55 flood nearly overtopped earth section at
  left or east abutment. Section of dam is safe.
  Right abutment should be raised to protect
  highway.

Left abutment should be investigated:-

- (a) To determine whether or not there is a core wall.
- (b) Possibility of emergency spillway or fuse plug.
- (c) Note Items #26 & 28 on Data Sheet.
- Dawson Present spillway is entirely inadequate to carry probable floods of the present and future. In fact, the dam would have been overtopped if certain saving factors had not been present in Oct. 1955.
  - (a) Not an excessive rainfall, only about R of 50 yr. (Compare with precipitation graphs)
  - (b) Several of reservoirs were below FL (See data notes by Navaro which you have)

(c) Flood Q 155 at Dawson of about 2100 cfs has an R value 3.8 (2100 : 560) equivalent to 120 yr on old Conn. curve and 55 yr on revised 1965 curve. (See graph PL 13)

Items #26 & 28 on Data Sheet are particularly illuminating.

It does not need a lively imagination to visualize what would happen to Westville and New Haven if Dawson should be overtopped; Norwich failure would be peanuts comparatively.

A brief discussion of pertinent data and situations follows. Also there are prints of sections of dams, precipitation graphs and various other graphs that I used or are pertinent to this investigation for general information or checking purposes.

Please excuse the informality and crudness of the matter submitted, the objective being to reduce costs to the minimum.

I would observe that Mr. Navaro, Mr. Ferris and Mr. Reynolds of the New Haven Water Co. were most cooperative as was Mr. Thomas of the U.S. Geological Survey.

My recommendation is that the New Haven Water Co.
be advised that their consulting engineers should investigate the entire system, with particular emphasis on

Mr. William P. Sander

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conditions at Glen and Dawson, and submit corrective measures.

Yours very truly,

. F (c)

JWC/dr

.J. W. Cone

Enc: Part II
Photos (11)

# WATERSHED

Characteristics Area is very rugged, steep side slopes and steep channels. Channel slopes (S in Conn Formula) are West River 70 and Sargent River 88 feet per mile. Elevations on topo sheet point up steepness of side slopes as much as 400° in 0.25 mile.

Area is rural, cover, mostly wooded at present.

However within a few decades there will be more intensive land use. There is evidence of this growth in the Cheshire and other areas. At present in spite of rugged terrain, the shed may be considered "medium to fast" due to cover; by about 2000 AD it will become "fast" and in the future could be "very fast".

Area As scaled from 1:24,000 topo sheets area is 13.35 sq. mi. By data in Water Co's. operation office area is 13.0 sq. mi. Mr. Novaro in his report to Mr. Corbin, April 29, 1963, states area is 13.9 sq. mi.; this I do not understand.

	Water Co.	1:24000
Bethany	3•4	3.7
Watrous	3.2	3.3
Chamberlain	3.9	4.1
Glen	1.7	1.6
Dawson	8	65
	13.0	13.35

The Company owns about 8 sq. mi. of the 13.35 sq. mi. However as taxes and population pressures increase, as the area becomes more polluted due to

development of areas owned by others, it is reasonable to assume that the Company will sell at least 5 sq. mi. and construct a filtration plant. Those considerations explain the predicted increase in mean annual flood of about 40% above present by 2000 AD. (560-795 and CB 0.85-1.2)

The following quote, from an intensive study by Metcalf and Eddy on Storm Water Control in Westchester County in 1945, is pertinent to this discussion.

Residential development of the area has resulted in peak run-off rates almost twice those of twenty-five or thirty years ago, and if development continues at the same rate for the next twenty-five years, the run-off factor will become  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times that of conditions a half century ago. It would seem that the increase of 40% is not fantastic.

### PRECIPITATION

Bata plates 4 to 9 inclusive were studied and are included to determine whether or not the Oct. 1955 storm in the New Haven area was of very rare occurence.

Since the rain gage at Dawson is not recording, graph PL 5 was produced assuming that storm characteristics would be very similar to New Haven Airport which has a recording gage. Similarly the Westfield, Mass. graph was based on Norfolk, Conn.

Using 24 hr values and PL 9 the following recurrence values were determined.

	24 hr	Chance	
	in.	*	R
Base	9•5	1.0	100
Dawson	5.85	2.0	50
Norfolk	11.2	0.6	175
Westfield	18,2	0.2	500
Max possible	27.7	0.1	1000

In connection with this subject on Oct. 9, 1877 there was 9.7° in 10.5 hrs. at White Plains, Westchester County, N.Y.

My conclusion is that precipitation in the New Haven area cannot be termed extraordinary. In the Stamford-Norwalk area R values were about 200 yr and in Greenwich about 75.

If precipitation was not excessive then peak flood flow could not be excessive and should have an R value of less than 100.

I realize full well that some may say that I have no right to assign maximum possible to 1000 yrs. My answer is what possible value can the maximum possible values have unless an occurrence value is stated; if no value then data is worthless. Enquiry has been made to many who should be better versed in this matter than I. No one would stick his neck out. I am not afraid to and have; at least a value of 1000 is on the safe side.

My purpose in this discussion is to point out the fact that if either the Norfolk or Westfield precipitations had occurred on this shed in Oct. \*55 the resulting disaster would have been appaling.

# FLOOD FLOW 1955

Oct. 1955 To determine flood flow at Dawson it is necessary to know H at peak. To check, if H at peak were known for Glen and Watrous, then flow to Dawson could be estimated reasonably close by adding an allowance for the small watershed of Dawson itself.

In this connection I suggest that values shown on Lake Level forms (those were mailed you recently) should not be used since measurements were taken between 8-9 A.M.

The peak of the Oct. flood in Greenwich was about 1 A.M. Allowing for forward speed of storm then peak at Dawson would be between 2-3 A.M. particularly since watershed is "quick". The time lag of about 6 hours would certainly lower H peaks. I therefore, based on conversations and data furnished, assumed certain H values and computed Q, as shown in the following table:

	H	Q	
Glen	3.5	880	cfs
Watrous	3.0	1160	
Dawson she	d est	160	
		2300	" to check
Dawson	4	2050	•

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Assuming 2050 correct than R values are:

$$R = Q = \frac{2050}{560} = 3.7 \pm$$

Refer to PL 13

By old Conn Curve 3.7 R 110 yrs new # 3.7 50 \*\*

This agrees reasonably well with precipitation value of 50.

Conclusion is that flow of Oct. 1955 at Dawson may be considered a minor flood that would have been somewhat greater had not several of the reservoirs been below FL. for a total of 215 m.g. as computed by Mr. Novaro.

# $Q_{\rm M} = 9 \, {\rm A}^{2/3} \, {\rm vs} \, {\rm Conn Formula}$

This formula and graph (PL 12 A & B) has been used for several years with satisfaction. It checks well with the rational method and is much simplier to use. Although designed for small watersheds, up to about two square miles, it fills the gap with considerable reliability up to about ten miles, the approximate reliable lower limit of the Conn Formula, Geological Survey Circular #365.

# $Q_D = RF \times LF \times FF \times Q_M$

From PL 12 A factors for R = 500, present conditions and 2000 AD Present Q = 1 x 0.4 x 4.35 x 3750 = 6500  $\frac{0.6}{0.4}$  = 1.50 2000 AD 1 x 0.6 x 4.35 x 3750 = 9730  $\frac{0.6}{0.4}$ 

Q = RCB AS

By PL #2  $C_{BAS} = 560$ -present and 795-2000 AD

By PL 13 R for 500 = 11

Q500 Present =  $11 \times 560 = 6160$ 

2000 AD = 11 x 795 = 8745

Note that results are remarkably close, perhaps by coincidence.

9 .	A <sup>2</sup> /3	$c_{\mathtt{B}}$	Conn	c <sub>B</sub>
Present	6500	0.4 150% 0.6	6160	0.85 140%
2000 AD	9730	0.6	8 <b>7</b> 45	1.2

Had basin coefficients ( $C_B$ ) been selected to obtain the same percent increase in the land use factor, results for 2000 AD would have been 9730 vs 9240.

In any case  $Q = 9 A^2/3$  provides a reliable check on Conn. Formula, up to about 10 sq. mi., and fills the no-man's gap.

# SPILLWAY CAPACITY

# cfs. & sq. ft. per sq. mi.

Dam	Туре	$\frac{Q}{aq.mi}$ .	c <b>f s</b>	sq.ft.
(1) Bethany	Gravity	1980 3.7	540	80
(2) Watrous	n	<u>2660</u> 7	380	50 <b>aco</b>
(3) Chamberlain	Earth	6300 4.1	1525	120
(4) Glen	Gravity	1120 5.7	195	28 <b>ao</b> c
(5) Dawson	Earth	2870 13.35	215	30 acc

The units shown in this table, for a watershed with nearly the same characteristics throughout, demonstrate the inconsistency in capacity. It is true that an earth dam should have a greater factor of safety than a gravity masonry dam. This data emphasizes the need for corrective measures particularly at Glen and Dawson.

MAF

rison			
Est.	Sq. Mi.		sent per/S.M.
1960	9.02	280	31
1962	18.00	690	38
	/27.00	/970	
	13.5	485	
	13.35	560	42
	5•7	425	75
	Est. 1960	Est. Sq. Mi.  1960 9.02  1962 18.00  /27.00  13.5  13.35	Est. Sq. Mi. MAF  1960 9.02 280  1962 18.00 690  /27.00 /970  13.5 485  13.35 560

WILLOW BROOK. Rolling terrain, nowhere near as rugged as West River. On other hand land use is more dense.

MAF per sq. mi. should be much less than West River.

WEPAWAUG RIVER. Same remarks as above.

SARGENT RIVER. Very steep. S is 88' per mi.

Note that Willow Brook and Wepawaug River stations have only short term records. The usual experience is that the longer the record period the higher are MAF values. CONCLUSION is that West River MAF of 560 for present land use conditions is not too high and more likely is too low.

# (1) BETHANY

BRIDGE. Rough field measurements were taken believing that the bridge would be a bottleneck rather than the spillway. Sketch plan is shown. Later construction plans were available.

Assuming depth of flow in channel as 31 -

$$A = 24.5x3 = 73.5$$

$$r = 73.5 \div 30.5 = 2.4$$
  $r^{2/3} = 1.8$ 

$$S = .034$$
  $S^{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.18$ 

Assuming n = .0148

$$v = 100 r^2/3 s^{1/2}$$

$$= 100 \times 1.8 \times 0.18 = 32 \text{ sf.}$$

$$Q = 73.5 \times 32 = 2350 \pm cfs.$$

SPILLWAY. Rough plan shows total length of spillway as  $19^{\circ} + 61^{\circ} = 80^{\circ}$ . But account of turbulence assume effective  $L = 75^{\circ}$ , H max =  $4^{\circ}$ , C = 3.3.

 $Q = 3.3 \times 75 \times 8 = 1980 \text{ cfs.}$ 

This Q probably maximum due to backup from bridge and turbulence at channel entrance.

From the above it is shown that the spillway rather than the bridge is the limiting factor to carry estimated Q values - Items 14 & 15 on Data Sheet. It is concluded that the dam will be overtopped in the future, with an H value of about 1.

 $Q = 2 \times 990 \times 132 = 2080 \text{ cfs}$ 

This with spillway on H = 5 will pass over 4000 cfs.

DAM. The gravity section of cement rubble masonry with
reinforced concrete back 4 thick is in good condition.

# (2) WATROUS

SPILLWAY. The capacity of this 70' spillway with H = 5' is 2660 cfs., as shown by Item 12 on Data Sheet. This capacity will barely take flood flow from its individual watershed below Bethany under present land use, see Items 14 & 15. In addition there is the added flow from Bethany. Total watershed is 7 sq. mi.

Bethany 3.7 Watrous 3.3

<u>DAM</u>. The gravity concrete section is in good condition and is backed up with earth nearly to top of dam.

The dam will be overtopped in the future. Note Data Items #26 & 28.

## (3) CHAMBERLAIN

A study of items on the Data Sheet and examination of sketch plan indicate that this earth dam is adequate in every respect. No further comment is required.

# (4) GLEN

SPILLWAY. The 40' x 4' spillway has a capacity of about 1120 cfs. The entire watershed including Chamberlain is 5.7 sq. mi. Note Data Items #26 & 28.

Chamberlain 4.1 1.6 5.7

The dam was nearly over-topped during the October 1955 flood.

ABUTMENTS. A highway is close to the right or west end of spillway. Upstream training wall in particular should be raised and extended.

At the left or east end of the dam there is an area that is lower than crest of dam. This is indicated under the arrow on the photo of the east bank. As determined by hand level, the area is about six inches below dam crest.

There seems to be no record of a core wall in the area or location of ledge surface. If no wall and ledge rock is low, then there will be end scour sometime in the future that would put an extra burden on Dawson.

This condition should be investigated.

FUSE-PLUG. The area appears to be favorable for the needed extra spillway capacity, permanent construction, or fuse-plug type.

<u>DAM</u>. The gravity concrete section is in good condition and in my opinion will not fail.

## (5) DAWSON

SPILLWAY. An examination of Data Sheet items and study of plans indicate that the Dawson spillway is entirely inadequate. The Q of 2870 with H of 5° is approximate. The combination of a low broad crested humped weir and spillway characteristics present a complicated hydraulic problem not worthwhile to investigate thoroughly for the purpose of this report.

The spillway and right training wall are shown on photo enclosed. Note that the low portion of the training wall was nearly overtopped in Oct. 155.

Height of water at spillway was 3' below dam crest. There must have been considerable velocity head. Therefore if the weir formula is used H should be about 4'.

SEEPAGE. In the area near trees as shown on enclosed photo there is seepage with "guesstimated" flow of about 9 gals per min. Another seepage flow is farther to the west and at a lower elevation near a small cedar with an estimated flow of about 3 gals per min. Both areas should be watched closely.

It would be worthwhile to install a simple arrangement whereby flow can be determined by stop watch timing to fill a container; this to determine whether or not there is a relation between reservoir level and flow.

I have been informed by Mr. Ferris that most of the trees shown in photo have been removed. Trees were not on the embankment proper but were close enough to present the possibility of root-boil trouble.

EMBANKMENT COVER. The easterly portion of the dam, about one half, had been grazed by sheep. This is an inexpensive method of controlling grass on a 1 on 2 slope. On the other hand sheep are close croppers and tend to destroy root structure, a condition evident at the time. If the dam should be overtopped by a few inches I would anticipate that the sheep cropped area would gully seriously.

Further, particularly during dry weather, grass cover should be kept high to provide shade to held moisture as much as is possible on the steep 1 on 2 slope, where water-table is low, and to prevent baking all of which weakens root structure.

CONCLUSION. It is my opinion that the situation at

Dawson is very serious. If a bad breach should occur the refuge in "An Act of God" would not prevail. In Oct. 1955 if all reservoirs had been full, if twenty-four hour precipitation had been a little more, then it is my opinion that Dawson would have been overtopped.

As stated hereinbefore a comprehensive study of this situation should be begun immediately and proposed corrective measures presented as soon as possible.

### GENERAL

It is my understanding that my assignment was not to undertake a complete analysis of all aspects involved, but only to investigate sufficiently to determine if there are situations that should be studied by the Company's consulting engineers. I therefore did not undertake the following:

- 1. Stability analysis of gravity masonry dams. Casual study of plans indicates they are safe; this based on experience.
- 2. A design flood based on an assumed precipitation was not routed through the several watersheds and reservoirs, considering storage capacity above FL etc. This would have been a tedious study and funds were not available in my contract.
- 3. In computing the several Q values no credit was given to storage above FL, rather this was considered as an extra factor of safety, to be on the safe side.

Graphs, plans, etc., are bound separately for ease in following the moxt.

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# DATA SHEETS

- 1. Summary of data.
- 2. Determination of MAF, graphically
- 3. Watersheds; sketch arrangement
- 4. Precipitation Oct. 155 New Haven
- 5. " Dawson (devised)
- 6. " Aug. " Norfolk
- 7. Westfield (devised)
- 8. Maximum Possible
- 9. Recurrence 2 to 24 hr.
- 10. Flood flow graph old.
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- 12.- A Peak Runoff  $Q = A^{2/3}$ 
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- 13. Ratio Curve Conn Formula
- 14. Weir Coefficients
- 15. Plans Bethany (3)
- 16. " Watrous (1)
- 17. "Chamberlain (1)
- 18. " Glen (2)
- 19. \*\* Dawson (2)

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# COMMENTS re DATA SHEETS

- dashed lime, devised by A.B. Hill about the turn of the century. It was considered a sound base curve at that time when there was a paucity of information as compared to that which became available in more recent years; precipitation and flood flow records, many studies, reports, etc.
- #13 The upper curve, shown in red, was plotted by
  Mr. Mendall P. Thomas with the Geological Survey
  base on study by A. Rice Green, Water Supply
  Paper 1671, 1964. Curve has official approval
  to 100 years; projection to 1000 by Thomas
  using Gumbel's recurrence interval scale. This
  is the latest R-curve available.

The purpose of including the other sheets I believe is self-evident.

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MEMORANDUM REPORT TO WATER COMPAN

INVESTIGATION OF THE EFFECTS OF A FLOOD PRODUCED BY THE MAXIMUM POSSIBLE STORM ON SPILLWAYS OF WEST RIVER SYSTEM

AUGUST 2, 1967

The effect of the "maximum possible storm" on the West River System is reported in this memorandum.

The "maximum possible storm" employed is defined and quantitatively estimated in U. S. Weather Bureau Hydrometeorological Report No. 33 entitled "Seasonal Variation of the Probable Maximum Precipitation East of the 105th Meridian for Areas from 10 to 1,000 Square Miles and Durations of 6, 12, 24 and 48 Hours." The report defines the "maximum possible precipitation" as "the critical depthduration—area rainfall relation for a particular area during various months of the year that would result if conditions during an actual storm in the region were increased to represent the most critical meteorological conditions that are considered probable of occurrence."

As shown on Exhibit 1, the rainfall totals used for the West River System analyses are for durations of 6 and 12 hours on an area of 10 square miles for September -- the most severe month for the vicinity of New Haven, Connecticut. The hourly

distribution of the total rainfall assumed is according to Figure 4, page 32 of U. S. Department of the Interior publication "Design of Small Dams." The distribution is a comparatively severe one with 50 per cent of the 6 hour total falling within 1 hour.

The sequence in which the hourly totals were arranged is in accordance with the recommendation made on page 50 in "Design of Small Dams." The arrangement of the 12 hourly increments is 11, 9, 7, 5, 3, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, where the number represents the order of magnitude with the lowest number representing the largest magnitude. This arrangement gives a flood greater than one based on the assumption that the greatest hourly increment of rain occurs during the first hour of a storm

The effective, runoff-producing rainfall was estimated by subtracting 1 inch initial infiltration and 0.1 inch per hour thereafter from the total rainfall.

In order to pass the unusually high flows for the "maximum possible storm," several modifications of both the length and crest height of spillways were tried. Spillway rating curves and stage capacity curves for each of the five reservoirs are shown on Exhibit 2 and Exhibit 3, respectively.

The unit-hydrographs and routing procedures employed are those outlined in our report of January, 1967. Detailed computations are shown on Exhibit 4, pages 1 through 8.

The inflow-outflow curves for each of the reservoirs are shown on Exhibit 5, pages 1 though 3. As no significant storage effect is obtained from Lake Dawson, the outflow

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hydrograph as shown on Exhibit 5, page 3, will be the same with a spillway 250 feet long.

The "maximum possible" flood outflows at each of the West River reservoirs and the conditions at the Spillways are summarized below:

<u>Dam</u>	Peak Spillway Discharge cfs	Free- Board ft.	Maximum H Over Spillway	ead (ft.) Over Dam Crest
Chamberlain	7200	12.0	10.8	-1.2
Glen	9665	9.0*	11.3	+2.3
Bethany	7350	4.25	5.2	+1.0
Watrous	15,400	5.0	7.1	+2.1
Dawson	•			
80' Spillwa	y 26,260	11.5*	13.8	+2.3
250' Spillwa	y 26,260	11.0*	9.0	-2.0

<sup>\*</sup>Freeboard above proposed new sill elevation

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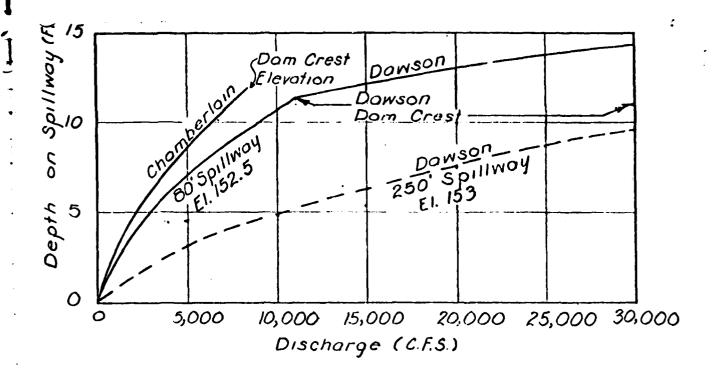
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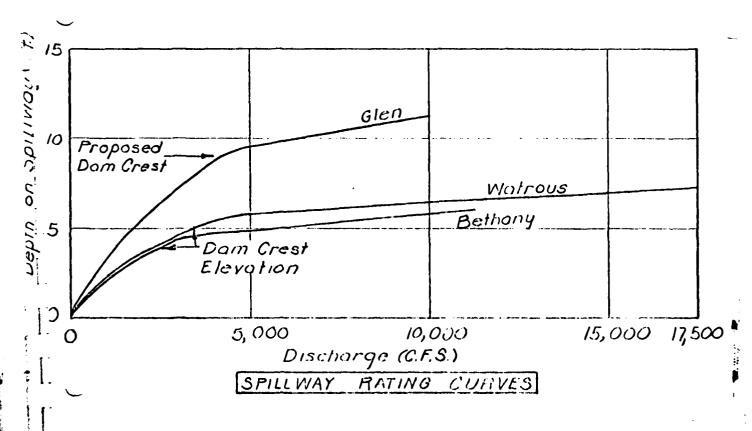
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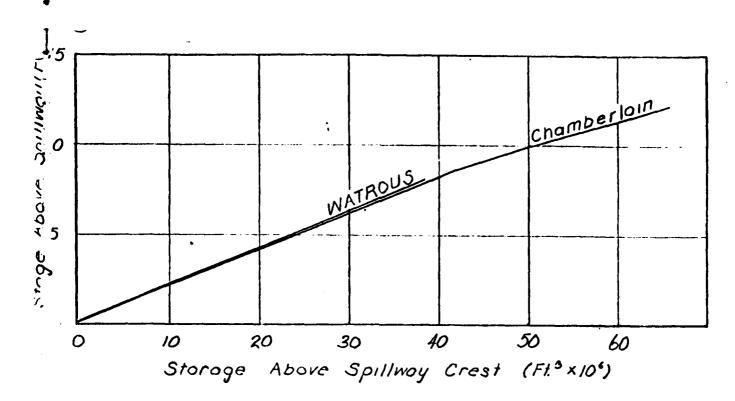
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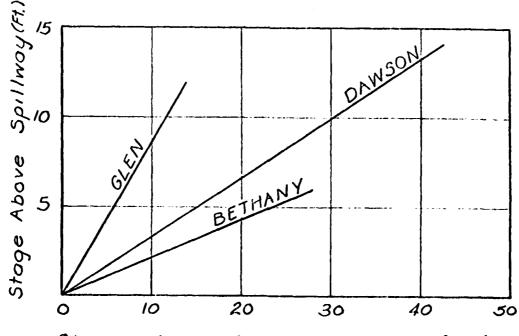
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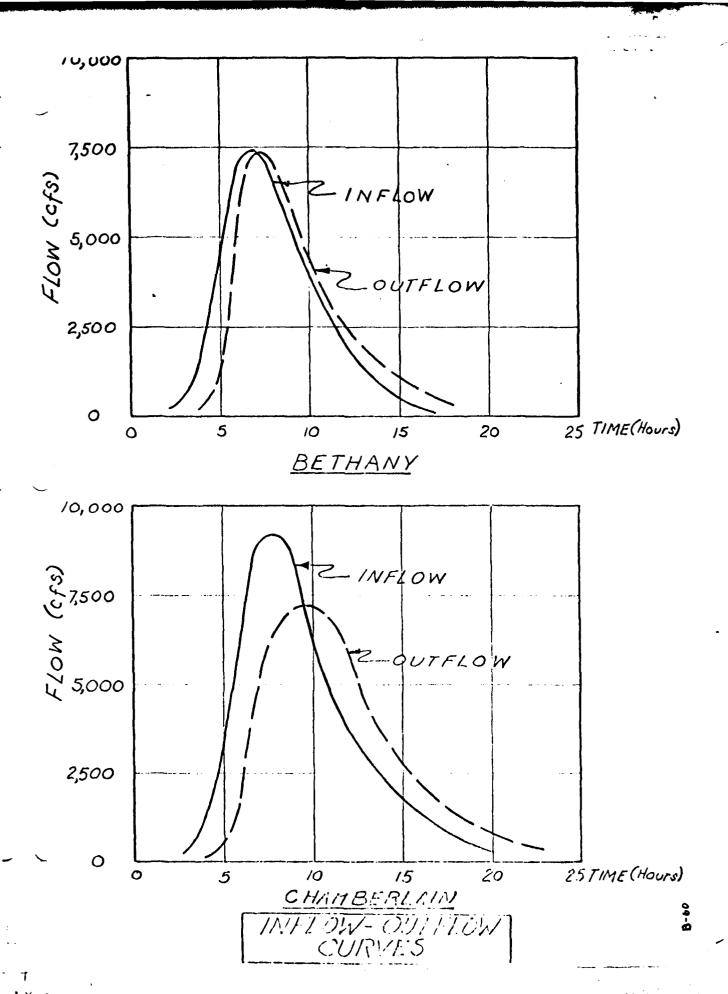
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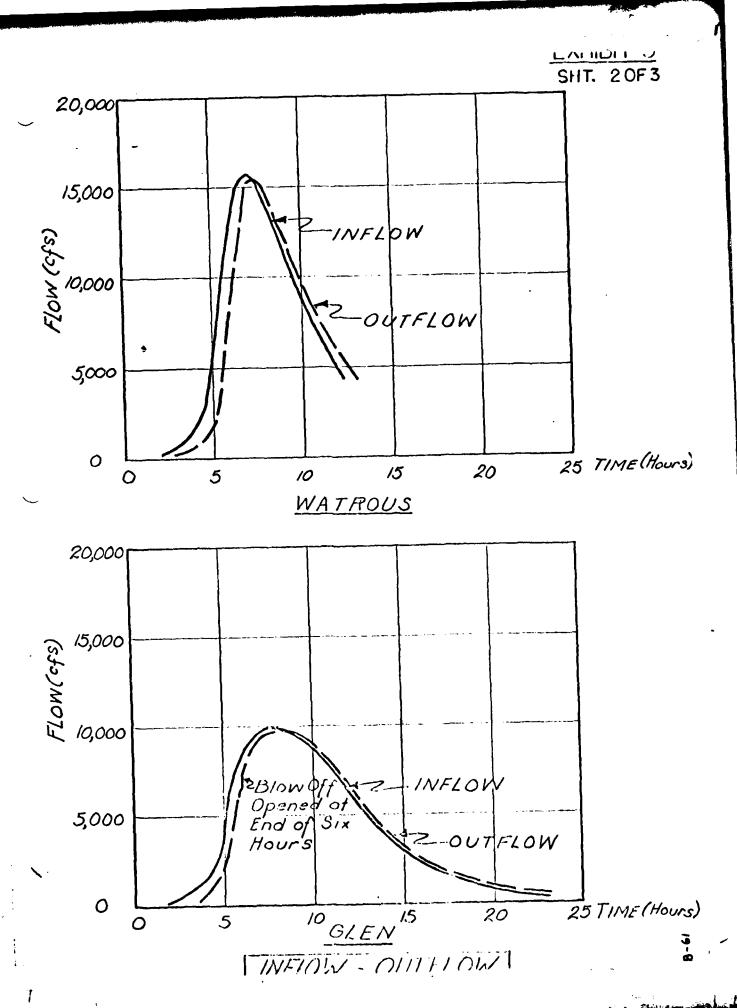
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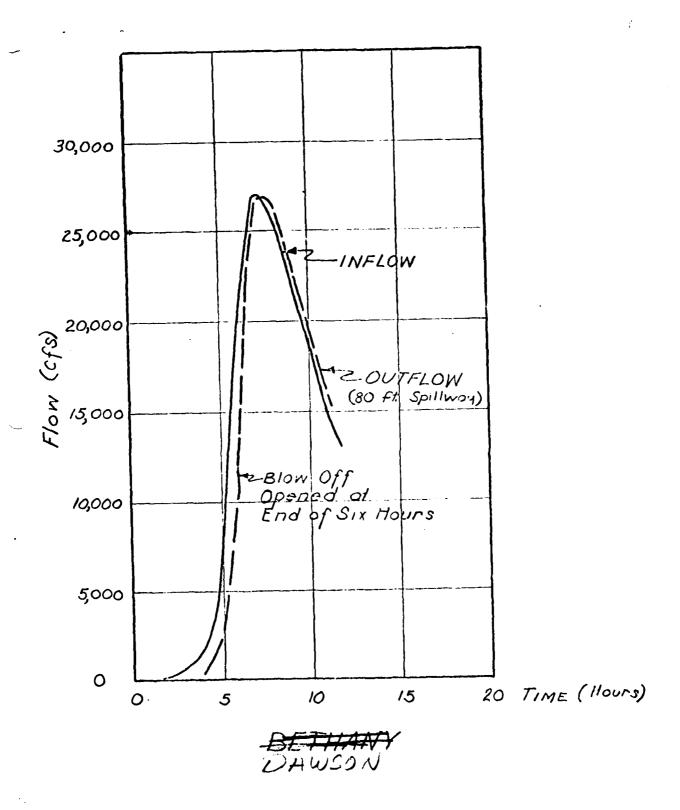
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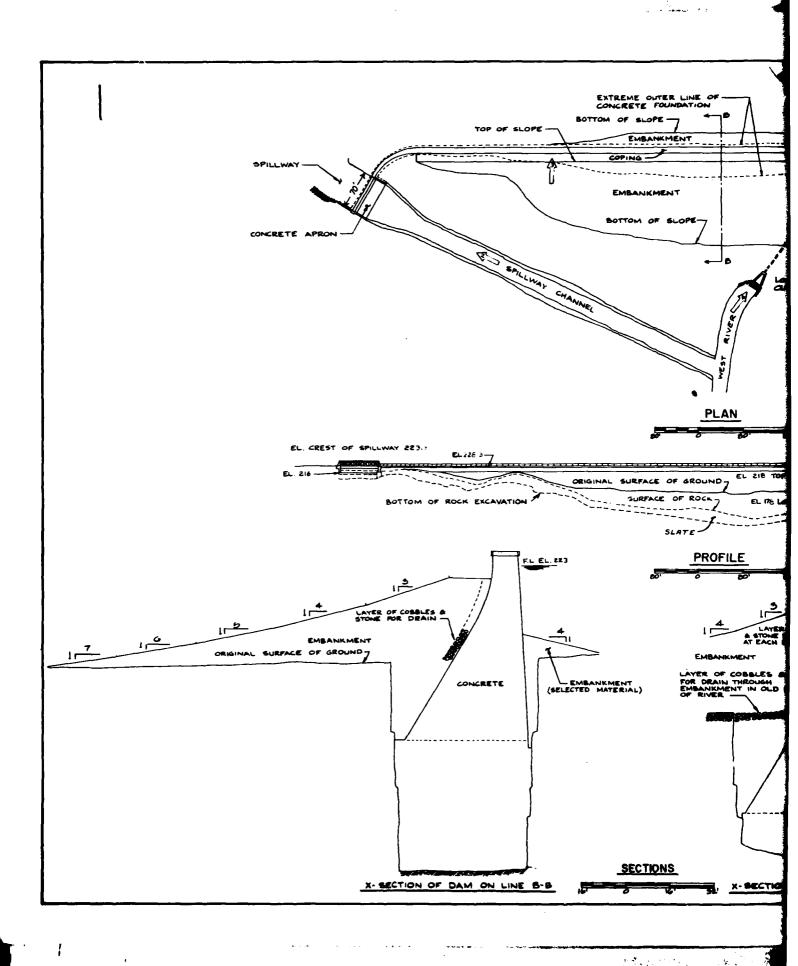


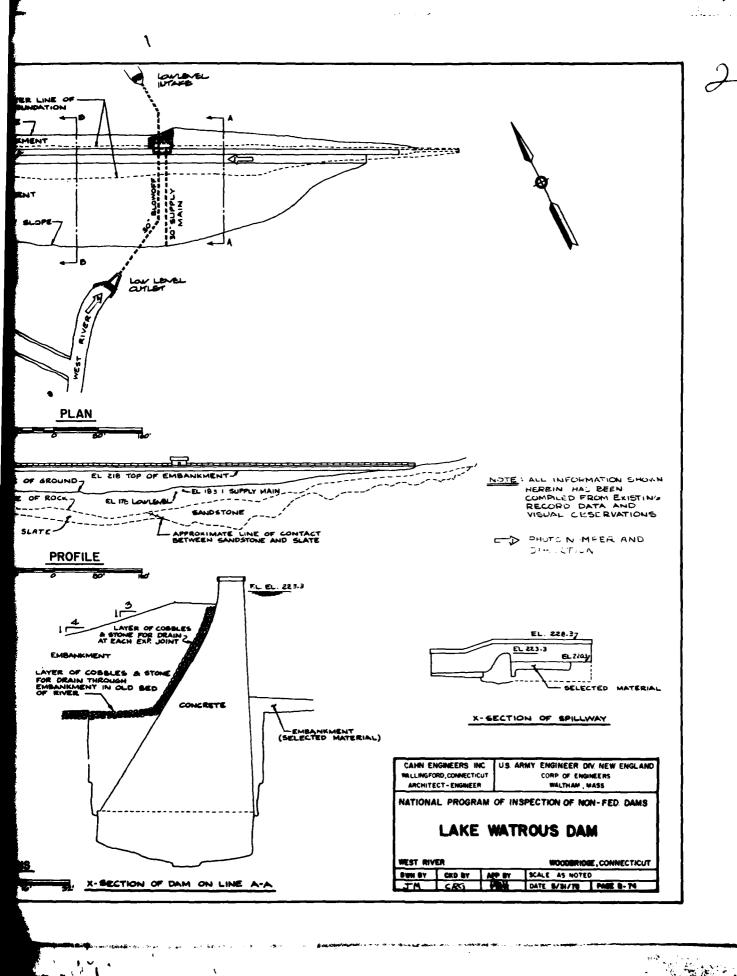




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SECTION C: DETAIL PHOTOGRAPHS



PHOTO NO.1 - General view of downstream face of dam and embankment.



PHOTO NO.2 - Spillway, bridge, and channel cut into natural rock formation.

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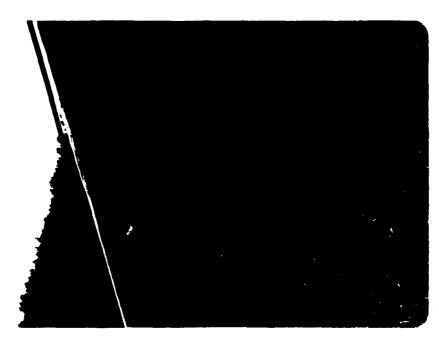


PHOTO NO.3 - Seepage and staining of down-stream face of dam at herizontal construction joint.



PHOTO NO. 4 - Low level outlet structure. Note fallen tree.

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SECTION D: HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC COMPUTATIONS

PRELIMINARY GUIDANCE

FOR ESTIMATING

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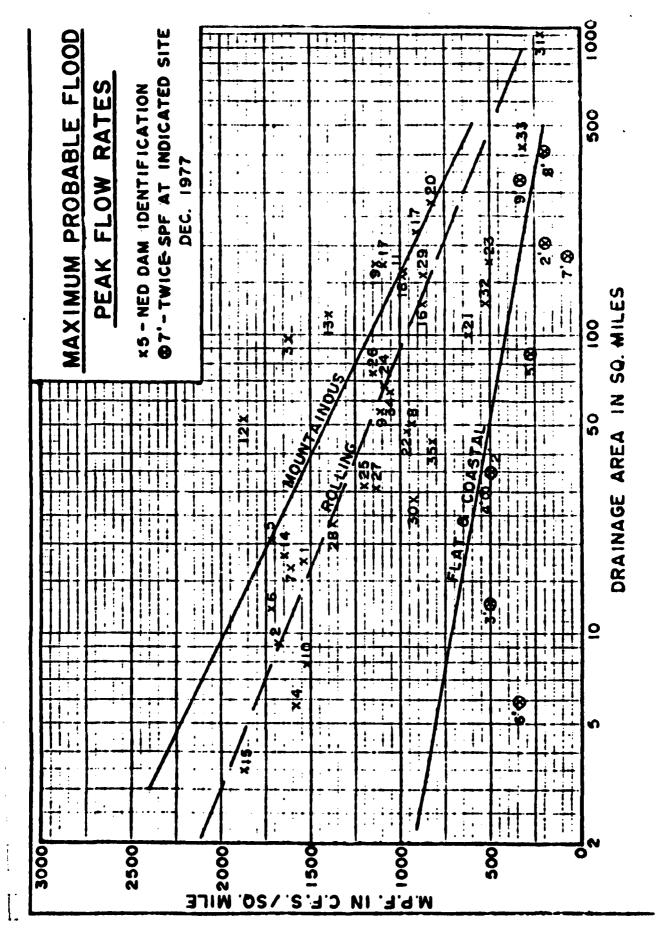
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# MAXIMUM PROBABLE FLOOD INFLOWS NED RESERVOIRS

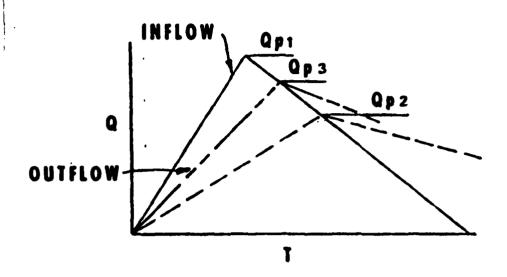
	Project	(cfs)	$(\underline{\mathfrak{sq.m1.}})$	cfs/sq. mi.
1.	Hall Meadow Brook	26,600	17.2	1,546
2.	East Branch	15,500	9.25	1,675
3.	Thomaston	158,000	97.2	1,625
4.	Northfield Brook	9,000	5.7	1,580
5.	Black Rock	35,000	20.4	1,715
6.	Hancock Brook	20,700	12.0	1,725
7.	Hop Brook	26,400	16.4	1,610
8.	Tully	47,000	50.0	940
9.	Barre Falls	61,000	55.0	1,109
10.	Conant Brook	11,900	7.8	1,525
11.	Knightville	160,000	162.0	987
12.		98,000	52.3	1,870
13.		165,000	118.0	1,400
14.		30,000	18.2	1,650
15.	Sucker Brook	6,500	3.43	1,895
16.	Union Village	110,000	126.0	873
17.	North Hartland	199,000	220.0	904
18.	North Springfield	157,000	158.0	994
19.		190,000	172.0	1,105
20.	Townshend	228,000	106.0(278 tota	1) 820
21.	Surry Mountain	63,000	100.0	630
22.	Otter Brook	45,000	47.0	957
23.	Birch Hill	88,500	175.0	505
24.	East Brimfield	73,900	67.5	1,095
25.	Westville	38,400	99.5(32 net)	1,200
26.	West Thompson	85,000	173.5(74 net)	1,150
27.		35,600	31.1	1,145
28.		36,500	26.5	1,377
29.		125,000	159.0	786
30.	West Hill	26,000	28.0	928
31.		210,000	1000.0	210
32.		66,500	128.0	520
33.	Hopkint <i>o</i> n	135,000	426.0	316
34.	Everett	68,000	64.0	1,062
35.	MacDowell	36,300	44.0	825

# MAXIMUM PROBABLE FLOWS BASED ON TWICE THE STANDARD PROJECT FLOOD (Flat and Coastal Areas)

	River	(cfs)	D.A. (sq. m1.)	(cfs/sq. mi.)
1.	Pawtuxet River	19,000	200	190
2.	Mill River (R.I.)	8,500	34	500
3.	Peters River (R.I.)	3,200	13	490
4.	Kettle Brook	8,000	30	530
5.	Sudbury River.	11,700	86	270
6.	Indian Brook (Hopk.)	1,000	5.9	340
7.	Charles River.	6,000	184	65
8.	Blackstone River.	43,000	416	200
9.	Quinebaug River	55,000	331	330



# ON MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHARGES

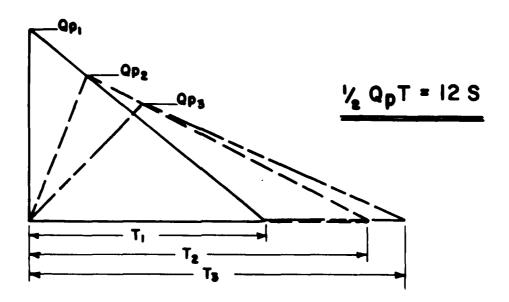


- STEP 1: Determine Peak Inflow (Qp1) from Guide Curves.
- STEP 2: a. Determine Surcharge Height To Pass "Qp1".
  - b. Determine Volume of Surcharge (STOR1) In Inches of Runoff.
  - c. Maximum Probable Flood Runoff In Ne -England equals Approx. 19", Therefore

$$Qpz = Qp1 \times (1 - \frac{STOR1}{19})$$

- STEP 3: a. Determine Surcharge Height and "STOR2" To Pass "Qp2"
  - b. Average "STOR1" and "STOR2" and Determine Average Surcharge and Resulting Peak Outflow "Qp3".

### RULE OF THUMB" GUIDANCE FOR ESTIMATING DOWNSTREAM DAM FAILURE HYDROGRAPHS



STEP 1: DETERMINE OR ESTIMATE RESERVOIR STORAGE (S) IN AC-FT AT TIME OF FAILURE.

STEP 2: DETERMINE PEAK FAILURE OUTFLOW (Qp1).

$$Qp_1 = \frac{8}{27} W_b \sqrt{9} Y_0 \frac{3}{2}$$

Wh = BREACH WIDTH - SUGGEST VALUE NOT GREATER THAN 40% OF DAM LENGTH ACROSS RIVER AT MID HEIGHT.

Yo = TOTAL HEIGHT FROM RIVER BED TO POOL LEVEL AT FAILURE.

STEP 3: USING USGS TOPO OR OTHER DATA, DEVELOP REPRESENTATIVE STAGE-DISCHARGE RATING FOR SELECTED DOWNSTREAM RIVER REACH.

**STEP 4:** ESTIMATE REACH OUTFLOW  $(q_{p2})$  USING FOLLOWING ITERATION.

- A. APPLY Qp1 TO STAGE RATING, DETERMINE STAGE AND ACCOPMANYING VOLUME (V1) IN REACH IN AC-FT. (NOTE: IF V1 EXCEEDS 1/2 OF S, SELECT SHORTER REACH.)
- B. DETERMINE TRIAL Qp2.

 $Qp_2(TRIAL) = Qp_1(1-\frac{V}{5})$ 

- C. COMPUTE V2 USING Qp2 (TRIAL).
- D. AVERAGE  $V_1$  AND  $V_2$  AND COMPUTE  $Q_{02}$ .

Qp2 = Qp, (1 - 10)

STEP 5: FOR SUCCEEDING REACHES REPEAT STEPS 3 AND 4.

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LAKE WATROUS WOODBRIDGE, CONNECTICUT....

- 11) MAXIMUM PROBABLE FLOOD PEAR FLOOD RATE
  - (9) WATERSHED CLASSIFIED AS " RELLING TOMOUNTAINOUS" TYPE.

    USE MPF ROLLING TYPE GURVE FURNISHED

    BY THE ACE, NEW ENGLAND DIV OFFICE FOR

    THE DETERMINATION OF PMF.
  - (b) WATERSHED AREA: D.A = 6.6 SR. mi(New HAVEN WATER CO DATA AND

    (C.E: MEASURED: 6.9 SR. MI)

    USE D.A = 7.0 SR MI (J.W. CONE INSPECTION REPORT 6/26/75.

    D.A = 7.0 SR. MI)

    (C) FROM GUIDE CURVE:

    M.P.F = 1800 CFS /SR. MI)
  - (d) M.P.F = PEAR INTLOW

    Q = 1800 × 2.0 = 12,600 CFS
- (2) SPILLWAY DESIGN FLOOD (SDF)
  - (A) CLASSIFICATION OF DAM ACCORDING TO ACE NECONNAMODO GUIDBLINDS.
  - (i) SIZE (IMPOUNDMENT) STORAGE (MAX)= 2,780 AC-FT (INTERM.) O HEIGHT = 51 FT (INTERM.) O HEIGHT = 51 FT (INTERM.)

    # FROM NEW HAVEN WATER CO. DATA AUG. 1974, AND TABULATIONS BY ENGR. ALBERT B. HILL (1917/1923)-(US. INVENTORY OF DATA MAX. STARAGE = 420 MM)

    STORAGE TO SPILLWAY = 725,5 MG Z Z Z 30 AC-H.

AREA AT FLOWLINE = 109.1 Ac. : ADD. STOR. TO TUP OF DAY . 109.1 XS = 550 Ac-#
MAX. STORAGE = 2780 Ac #. THERE FIRE, THE DAY IS CLASSIFIED.

As OF "INTERMEDIATE" SIZE.

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(2, (Cont'd) - Spillway DESIGN FLOOD (SDF)

- (a) CLASSIFICATION OF DAM
- (i) HAZARD POTENTIAL:

THE DAM IS COCATED UPSTREAM OF LAKE DAWSON DAM, WILBUR CROSS PRWY, AND WOODBRIDGE URBAN DEVELOPED AREA. HENCE, THE HAZARD POTENTIAL IS "HIGH"

ciii, SDF

ACCORDING TO ACE RECOMMENDED CTUIDELINES

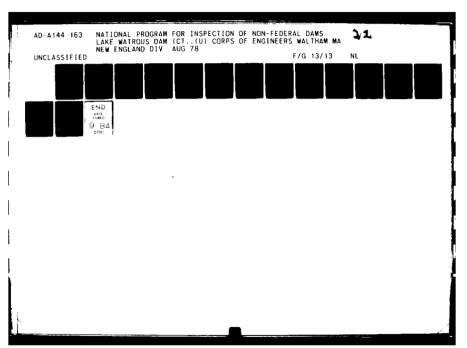
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SPF = MPF = 12,600 CFS

- (3) EFFECT OF SUNCHARGE STORAGE ON MAXIMUM
  PROBABLE DISCHARGES
  - (9) PBAK INFLOW (SOF = MPF) &p, = 12,600 CFS
  - (b) SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASI QP,

(1) ESTIMATE SURCHARGE ALEVE SPILLWAY CREST SPILLWAY DATA: (FROM "AS-BURT" PLANS-LAKE WATROUS DAM, NEW HAVEN WATER CO., JAN. 1915) LENGTH OF SPILLWAY CREST = 70' W/S BATTER SLOPE (V=H) = 10:0.15. ROUNDED (OG= TYPE, SPILLWAY, D/S FALE SLOPE (V=H) = 1.0:0.6. U/S HEIGHT OF SPILLWAY CREST TO GROUND P=±3'

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LAKE WATROUS DAM

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(3) (LOATH) EFFECT OF SURCHARGE STORAGE ON MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHARGES.

(b) SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASS QP,

(1) ESTIMATE OF SURCHARGE ABOVE SPILLWAY CROST FOR THE EXPECTED HIGH HEAD OVER THE SPILLWAY, ASSUME C = 3.6 Q = 250 H3/2

H= ( 250) 3/3

.: @ ap1 = 12,600 CFS

HIZ 13.6'

MAXIMUM FREEBOARD JAM SPILLWAY CREST (ELEV. \*223, 3' MSL) TO THE TOP OF THE DAM CELEV. \*228.3'MSL\_ IS 5 th.

HENCE, THE DAM IS OVERTOPPED. - SPILLWAY CACAPITY AT H=5', Q = 2800 CFS

UN COMPUTE TRUE SURLHARGE HEIGHT H,

DEPTH OF HEAD WATER ABOVE THE DAW = H, - 5

TOP WIDTH OF MAIN STETION = 10 '

NOTE. NOW HAVEN WATER CO. DATA GIVE ELEVATIONS IN NEW HAVEN DATUM
(MEAN MGH WATER) MSL (4.S.C.G.S DATUM) = NEW HAVEN DATUM (MHW) +3.31'

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LAKE WATROUS DAY WOODBRIDGE CONN

13) (cont'd) ETIECT OF SUKLHAKGE STOKAGE ON MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHMAGES

(b) SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASS OP,

(ii) COMPUTE TRUE SURCHARGE HEIGHT H,

ASSUME C = 2.7

LENGTH OF MAIN SECTION L = 1204'

CL = 3250

Q = 3250(H,-5)<sup>3/2</sup>

A BERM AT THE BASTERLY BND RISES 10' IN A DISTANCE OF 90'

EQUIVALENT LENGTH =  $\frac{2}{3}(\frac{90}{100})$  (H<sub>1</sub>-5)

ASSUME c = 2.6  $Q = 16 < H_1 - 5$ )

A BEAM AT THE WESTERLY END RISES 10 1 IN A
PISTANCE OF ± 150'

ERUIVALENT LENGTH =  $\frac{2}{3}(\frac{150}{10})(H_1-5)$ 

ASSUME C = 2.6 Q = 26(H, -5) 5/2

THEREFORE, DISCHARGE WITH A SURCHARGE OF H,

ABOVE THE SPILLWAY IS  $Q = 250 \, \text{H},^{\frac{3}{2}} + 3250 \, \text{C} \, \text{H}, -5)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 42 \, \text{C} \, \text{H}, -5)^{\frac{5}{2}}$ 

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LAKE WATROUS DAM WOODBRIDGE, CONN

(3) (COAT'A) EFFECT OF SURLHARGE STORAGE ON MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHARGES

(b) SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASS & P,

(ii) COMPUTE THE TRUE SURCHARGE HEIGHT H,  $Qp_1 = 12,600$  CFS  $H, \bar{z}, 6.82'$  SAY 6.8'

THE HEAD WATER ABOVE THE TOP OF THE DANS

(C) VOLUME OF SURLHARGE
ASSUME NORMAL POOL LEVEL 0.5' ABOVE THE
SPILLWAY CREST

AREA OF POOL AT FLOWLINE = 109 AC.
(SEE P. 1)

VOL. OF SURLHARGE: WITH Op, = 12,600 CFS

HIZ 6.8'

15 109 (6.8-0.5) = 687 AC-H

D.A = 7.0 SQ. MI

S1 = 687 7.0,533 = 1.8" ₹

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(3) ( (ant'd) EFFECT OF SURLMARGE STORAGE IN MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHARGES

(d) PEAR OUTFLOW FOR SURLHARGE S, (SEE GUIDELINES RECOMMENDED BY ACE NEW BAGLAND DIV)

 $\Delta p_2 = \Delta p_1 / 1 - \frac{s_1}{19}$   $\Delta p_2 = 12,600 (1 - \frac{1.8}{19})$ 

OPZZ 11400 CFS

FOR Qp2 = 11, 400 CFS H2 = 6.66' = 6.7'

AND S2 = 1.8" SAVE = 1.8"

(A) RESULTING PEAK DUTFLOW

: 8P3 = 11,400 CFS

mr H3 = 6.7'

(f) SUMMARY.

PEAR INFLOW Op = MPF = 12,600 CFS

PEAR OUTFLOW OP = 11,400 CFS

AVBRAGE SURLNARITY ABOVE THE SPILLWAY

CREST IS ± 6.7', IT IS ± 1.7' ABOVE TOP

OF THE DAM (ELEV. 228.3' ASL) OR NG. EL. 230'MC

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LAKE WATNOUS WOOD BRIDGE, CONN

DOWNSTREAM FAILURE HAZARD

(1) ESTIMATE OF DIS DAY FAILURE HYDROGRAPH (SEE ALE " RULE OF THUMB" GUIDELINES FOR ESTIMATING THE HYDROGRAPAS)

(a) testimate of RESERVOIR STORAGE AT TIME OF FAILURE (SEE D. SHEN COMPS. 5/18/78)

(i) MAXIMUM STORAGE CAPACITY = 2780 Ac- ++

(ii) HEIGHT OF STRUCTURE ABOVE SPILLWAY = 5 H

(iii) HEIGHT OF MAXIMUM POOL = 51 Th

ILV, ESTIMATED VOLUME OF STOKAGE AT

TIME OF FAILURE

TO SURCHARGE ELEU. \$ 230,0'ASL I.R. ± 6.7' ABOUT

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2,960 M-H

#1: ARZA DI FLOWLINE

3 = 1480 Ac- 11

W NOTE: NEW HAVEN WATER CO. DATA GIVE ELEVATIONS IN NEW HAVEN DATUM (MHN). MSL (MSC 45 DATHM) & NEW HAVEN JATHM (MHN) + 3.31

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DOWNSTREAM FAILURE HAPARD

(1) (CONT'A) - ESTIMATE OF DOWNSTATAM DAM FAILURE HYDROGRAPHS

(b) PEAK TLOOD DUTFLIN QP,

(i) BATACH WIDTH.

FROM THE NEW HAVEN WATER CO.

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TAKING LOWBST ELEV. OF THE ONIGINAL GROUND SURTAKE AS DATUM.

TOTAL LENGTH OF DAM AT MID-HEIGHT 760 TH W = 0.4(760) = 304 FH

TAKE WE & BOOTH

(ii) TOTAL HEIGHT AT TIME OF FAILURE

HEIGHT OF DAM = 51'

SURLHANGE = 1.7'

Yo = 52.7'

APPROX. WAVE HEIGHT IMMEDIATELY D/S OF DAM SITE

Y = 0.44 Yo = 23.2'

(iii) PLAK TLOOD DUT FLOW OP.

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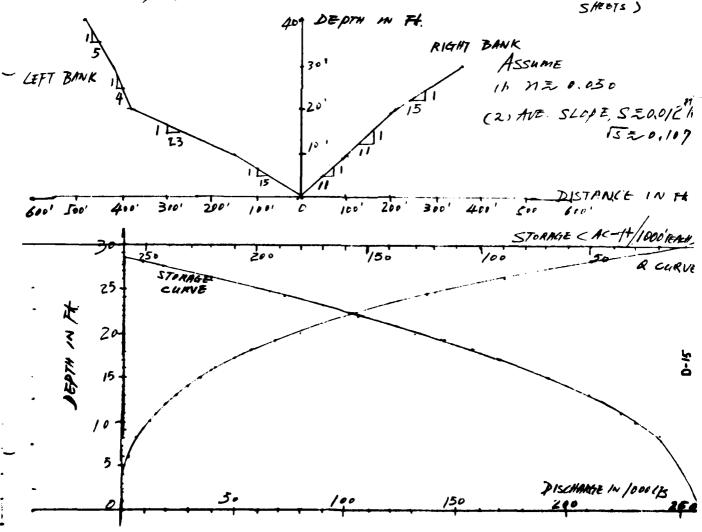
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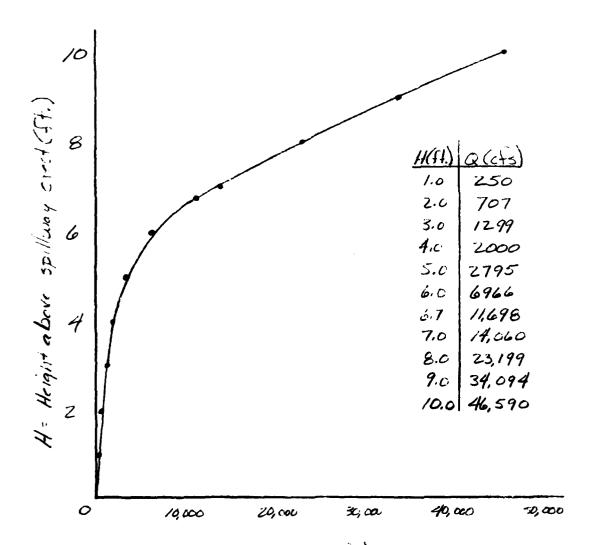


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SPILLWAY RATING CURVE

Q= 250 H, + 3250(H,-5) + -12(H,-5) 5/2



Q: Flow (cts)

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(iii)  $\Delta p_2$ :

TRIAL  $\Delta p_2 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{100}{2960})$   $\Delta p_2 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{100}{2960})$   $\Delta p_2 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{720}{2960})$   $\Delta p_2 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{720}{2960})$   $\Delta p_3 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{720}{2960})$   $\Delta p_4 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{720}{2960})$   $\Delta p_5 = \delta p_1 (1 - \frac{V}{S}) = 193,000 (1 - \frac{720}{2960})$ 

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	(R) TETIMATE EFFECT OF LAKE DAWSON ON OP2
	(i) Opa = INFLOW FLOOD TO ATSTAVOIR
	( SEE J. W. CONE 1965 REPORT CONCERNING DAMS DWNED
	BY NEW HAVEN WATER CO. ON THE WEST Y SAEGENT RIVERS)
	LENGTH OF SPILLWAY = BOI  MAXIMUM FREEBOARD = 6,
	Le Louisian Live Court - 61

ASSUME C = 3,2 (CONE: 0 = 2870 CF CH=5')

0 = (3,2) (80) H3/2 = 260H3/2

(XX) SURCHARGE HEIGHT ABOVE SPILLWAY C'T'T'T

TOTAL LENGTH OF DAY AND SIJE SPILLS = 1000'

ASSUME C = 2.7

Q = (2.7)(1000) (H-6) 3/2 HENCE, DISCHARGE IS

Q = 260 H3/2 + 2700 (H-6)3/2

· · · C Op = 146,000 453 H2= 19' 61-0

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	U) (contid) terimare of DIS DAM PAILURE HYDROCHAPHS
	Q, ESTIMATE EFFECT OF LAKE DIWSON ON BP2
	WILL EFFECT OF STORAGE OF LAKE DAWSON
	AREA OF POOL AT FLOWLINE: 69 AC (J.W. CONE)
	ASSUME NORMAL POOL O.5' ABOVE FLOWLINE
_	VOL. OF SURLHARGE
	VX=69x(19-0.5) = 1280 AC-AF < \$\frac{s}{2}\$ (iv) PEHK FLICD OUTFLIN, TRIAL OF3
	Op3 = Op2 (1- Va) = 146 000 (1- 126
	$\Delta p_3 = \Delta p_2 \left(1 - \frac{V_A}{S}\right) = 146,000 \left(1 - \frac{1280}{2960}\right)$
	E Ap3 = f3,000 CFS
	H3 = 14.5'
	Vn = 970 Ac-H
	AVE. STORAGE IN LAKE DAWSON: VANE = 1130 AC-
	(V) PEAK FLOOD OUTFLOW. OP3
1	(V) PEAK 76000 DUTFLOW. QP3  Ap3 = ap1(1-\frac{1}{5}) = 146,000 (1-\frac{1/30}{2960})
t 1 1	8/3 = 90,000 CFS

IT IS PROBABLE THAT DAWSON LAKE DAM WILL ALSO FAIL UNDER THIS SURCHARGE (\$ 9' ABOVE THE ETUBANK MENT)

H3= 151

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HYDROLOGIC / HYDRAULIC INSPECTION

LAKE WATROUS WOODBRIDGE, CT

DOWNSTREAM DAM FAILURE HARARD

(1) (contid) ESTIMATE OF DIS DAM FAILURE HYDROGRAPHS
(+, Summary:

PEAK FAILURE OUTFLOW:  $8p_1 = 193,000 \text{ CFs}$ REACH OUTFLOW (U/s OF LAKE DAWSON)  $8p_2 = 146,000 \text{ CFs}$  57AGE = 25'

PEAK FLOOD OUTFLOW (FROM LAKE DANSON)

OP3 = 90,000 CFS

SURCHARGE ABOVE SPILLWAY H3 = 15'

DAWSON DAM WILL BE OVERTOPPED BY ± 9'.

NOTE: THESE COMPUTATIONS HAVE BEEN PERTIRIED BISED UPON
A DAM BREACH WITH A SURCHARGED WATER SURFACE
ELEVATION. IN ACCORDANCE WITH NORMAL CORPS / RECEDILES,
COMPUTATIONS ARE PERFORMED BASED (ACAP CAPTER
SURFACE ELEVATION AT THE TOP OF THE DAIN, A) DAIN
BREACH WITH THE WATER SURFACE AND THE VOTER
THE DAIN AND WITHOUT HEAVY DOWNSTREAM CHANAEL
FLOW COULD BE MORE CRITICAL THAN A DAIN BEFORE,
15 NOT SUBSTANTIAL.

APPENDIX E

INFORMATION AS CONTAINED IN

THE NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DAMS

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MANIGATION LOC DAY NO YR 4000 085EP78 FEO R **BELATER** M BLAKESLEE AND SONS MAINTENANCE 2 5 0 PROBLEM DAME 2 9521 1 521 P LONGITUDE LONGITUDE AUTHORITY FOR INSPECTION CONSTRUCTION BY BUTOUNDING CAPACITIES DIST 8 • HAME OF MPOUNDMENT INVENTORY OF DAMS IN THE UNITED STATES MEAREST DOWNSTREAM CITY - TOWN - VR. LAGE PL-92-367 u OPERATION LAKE MATROUS HOODIN LUGE WSPECTION DATE NONE REGULATORY AGENCY 0170710 ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ( ) A ENGINEERING BY 2 NAME ALBERT B HILL REMARKS 9 REMARKS • • 5 LAKE MATROUS DAM CONSTRUCTION WOLUME OF DAM PUMPOSES RIVER OR STREAM • NON MAXIMUM DISCHARGE (FT.) 2800 POPULAR HAME 8 MSPECTION BY 0 0 YEAR COMPLETED 1915 VEH HAVEN BATER CO CAHN ENGINEERS, INC O O O O MEST RIVER SPILIWAY WHY'N SPILIWAY 20 OWNER 9 DESIGN 3 ◉ TYPE OF DAM CT 009 03 1240 RECTPG T. . 6 MONE STOTE CHANGES PARCH Θ

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